

**IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
FOR THE WESTERN DISTRICT OF NORTH CAROLINA  
STATESVILLE DIVISION  
CIVIL ACTION NO: 5:16-CV-14-RLV-DSC**

<b>JONATHAN BYNUM,</b>	)
	)
<b>Plaintiff,</b>	)
	)
<b>v.</b>	)
	)
<b>SOCIAL SECURITY COMMISSIONER</b>	)
<b>CAROLYN COLVIN,</b>	)
	)
<b>Defendant.</b>	)

**ORDER**

**THIS MATTER** is before the Court on pro se Plaintiff's "Motion for Paralegal Fees" (document #14).

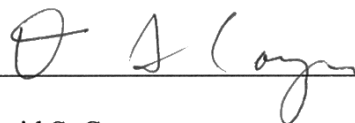
Plaintiff cites no applicable authority supporting his request for a court-appointed paralegal in a civil case. Moreover, the Court is not aware of any case law, statute, Federal Rule of Civil Procedure, or Local Rule requiring the appointment of a paralegal or payment of paralegal fees in a civil case such as the one brought by Plaintiff, and no funds have been appropriated for that purpose.

**IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED THAT:**

1. Plaintiff's "Motion for Paralegal Fees" (document #14) is **DENIED**.
2. The Clerk is directed to send copies of this Order to the pro se Plaintiff; to defense counsel; and to the Honorable Richard L. Voorhees.

**SO ORDERED.**

Signed: December 12, 2016

  
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David S. Cayer  
United States Magistrate Judge

